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The U.S. Embassy in Pristina, Kosovo has just sent out the following warden message:

WARDEN MESSAGE – ELECTIONS IN KOSOVO NOVEMBER 15, 2009

As the November 15 elections approach, the U.S. Embassy reminds American citizens to maintain increased security awareness. The U.S. Embassy reiterates its longstanding guidance to American Citizens to avoid large crowds and demonstrations. If voting, exercise caution when in the vicinity of polling stations.

In the event further information is obtained regarding this or any other security or safety situation, U.S. Embassy Pristina will provide updates via this same channel and on the Embassy's website.

Demonstrations take place in Kosovo from time to time in response to world events or local developments. We remind American citizens that even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and possibly escalate into violence. American citizens are therefore urged to avoid the areas of demonstrations if possible, and to exercise caution if within the vicinity of any demonstrations. American citizens should stay current with media coverage of local events and be aware of their surroundings at all times.

Americans traveling abroad should regularly monitor the <u>U.S. Embassy's website</u>, and the U.S. Department of State's <u>Bureau of Consular Affairs website</u>, where the current Worldwide Caution, Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and Country Specific Information can be found. The U.S. Embassy also encourages U.S. citizens to review to "<u>A Safe Trip Abroad</u>," which includes valuable security information for

those both living and traveling abroad. In addition to information on the Internet, travelers may obtain up-to-date information on security conditions by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the U.S. and Canada, or outside the U.S. and Canada on a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444.

American citizens living or traveling abroad are encouraged to register with the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate through the <u>State Department's travel</u> <u>registration website</u>. The <u>U.S. Embassy</u> is located at ul. Samoilova 21, 1000 Skopje. The telephone number is (389) 2-310-2000, <u>e-mail</u>.